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# **USDA Commodity Food Fact Sheet for Schools & Child Nutrition Institutions**

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# A948 - BEANS, SMALL RED, DRY, WHOLE, 25 LB

CATEGORY	Meat/Meat Alternates or Vegetables/Fruits
PRODUCT DESCRIPTION	• U.S. No. 1 grade dry small red beans.
PACK/YIELD	<ul> <li>25 lb bag.</li> <li>One 25 lb bag AP yields about 53½ cups dry small red beans and provides about 510.0 ¼-cup servings cooked, drained small red beans OR about 255.0 ½-cup servings cooked, drained small red beans.</li> <li>One lb AP yields 1 lb (about 2½ cups) dry, small red beans and provides about 20.4 ¼-cup servings cooked, drained small red beans OR about 10.2 ½-cup servings cooked, drained small red beans.</li> <li>CN Crediting: ¼ cup cooked, drained small red beans provides 1 ozequivalent meat/meat alternate OR ¼ cup cooked, drained small red beans provides ¼ cup vegetable BUT NOT both components at the same meal.</li> </ul>
STORAGE	<ul> <li>Store small red beans off the floor in a cool, dry place. High temperatures cause dry beans to harden and high humidity causes mold.</li> <li>Store cooked small red beans covered and labeled in a dated nonmetallic container under refrigeration.</li> <li>Use First-In-First-Out (FIFO) storage practices to ensure use of older product first.</li> </ul>



# **Nutrition Information**

Kidney beans, red, mature seeds, cooked, without salt

	¼ cup (44 g)	½ cup (89 g)
Calories	56	112
Protein	3.84 g	7.67 g
Carbohydrate	10.09 g	20.18 g
Dietary Fiber	3.3 g	6.5 g
Sugars	0.14 g	0.28 g
Total Fat	0.22 g	0.44 g
Saturated Fat	0.03 g	0.06 g
Trans Fat	0 g	0 g
Cholesterol	0 mg	0 mg
Iron	1.29 mg	2.60 mg
Calcium	12 mg	25 mg
Sodium	1 mg	2 mg
Magnesium	20 mg	40 mg
Potassium	177 mg	357 mg
Vitamin A	0 IU	0 IU
Vitamin A	0 RAE	0 RAE
Vitamin C	0.5 mg	1.1 mg
Vitamin E	0.38 mg	0.77 mg



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PREPARATION/ COOKING INSTRUCTIONS	<ul> <li>Sort dry beans to remove foreign matter, and rinse in cold water. Soaking shortens cooking time and ensures that the beans will hold their shape.</li> <li>Soak dry beans overnight by adding dry beans to cold water. Cover and let stand in refrigerator overnight. Pour off soaking water, rinse, and cook immediately after soaking period. Longer periods of soaking are not recommended.</li> <li>For quick soaking, pour dry beans into boiling water and boil for 2 minutes. Remove from heat and allow to soak for 1 hour. Pour off soaking water, rinse, and cook immediately after soaking period.</li> <li>To cook, use approximately 1¾ qt boiling water for each lb of beans. Optional, ½ tsp salt for every lb of beans. Cook for 1-2 hours. Add additional boiling water if beans become dry. Drain, if desired.</li> </ul>
USES AND TIPS	• Use cooked dry beans in soups, salads, entrees, or recipes. Serve one variety of beans alone or in combination with others. Cook beans with meats or other vegetables.
FOOD SAFETY INFORMATION	Visually inspect for presence of foreign substances, insects, or mold before use.
BEST IF USED BY GUIDANCE	<ul> <li>For guidance on how to effectively manage, store, and maintain USDA commodities, please visit the FDD Website at: <a href="http://www.fns.usda.gov/fdd/facts/biubguidance.htm">http://www.fns.usda.gov/fdd/facts/biubguidance.htm</a>.</li> <li>For additional information on product dating, go to page 6 of <i>Choice Plus Food Safety Supplement</i> at: <a href="http://www.nfsmi.org/Information/choice-plus-food-safety-supplement.pdf">http://www.nfsmi.org/Information/choice-plus-food-safety-supplement.pdf</a>.</li> </ul>